

## **Clean Air Act Permit Program permits for coal-fired power plants**

On June 27, 2003, the Illinois EPA opened public comment periods on the Clean Air Act Permit Program (CAAPP) permits for the 22 coal-fired power plants located in the State of Illinois (see attached list). The Illinois EPA held six hearings concerning the power plants and the comment periods closed on September 28, 2003.

After the close of the comment periods and review of public comments, proposed CAAPP permits were submitted to the USEPA/Region V for review, as provided by Section 39.5(9)(a) of the Illinois Environmental Protection Act (Act). Based on further consideration and consultations with USEPA/Region V, as well as the applicants and interested parties, the Illinois EPA has prepared revised versions of the proposed permits. The revisions clarify and enhance the monitoring, record keeping, reporting and testing requirements of the permits. Additionally, the revisions to the proposed permits correct typographical errors and inadvertent mistakes, generally clarifying the terms and conditions of the permits.

The Illinois EPA is providing a period to review the intended revisions to the proposed CAAPP permits and to submit further comments in accordance with Section 39.5 (9). The beginning of the review period is December 10, 2004. Comments must be postmarked by January 17, 2005 and sent the hearing officer for these applications:

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Copies of the drafts of the Revised Proposed CAAPP Permits can be obtained at [www.epa.gov/region5/air/permits/ilonline.htm](http://www.epa.gov/region5/air/permits/ilonline.htm) (please look under All Permit Records/Title V/New) or by contacting Brad Frost at 217/782-7027, TDD phone number 217/782-9143, or e-mail [brad.frost@epa.state.il.us](mailto:brad.frost@epa.state.il.us).